

PREVENT LOSSES IN SHIPPING HAY

Invoices Should Precede Car and
Contain Full Details Con-
cerning Consignment.

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN

Exact Weight of Hay and Number of
Bales in Car Should Be Stated on
Bill of Lading, Together With
Its Grade.

(Prepared by the United States Department
of Agriculture.)

Careless and inaccurate billing or in-
voicing are responsible for much of the
delay and losses experienced by hay
shippers, says the bureau of markets
and crop estimates, United States De-
partment of Agriculture. Accordingly
the bureau has prepared the following
suggestions that apply to the shipment
of grain as well as hay:

Follow billing instructions in detail,
naming route and delivery point when
requested.

Forward bills of lading and invoices
promptly.

Prepare invoices carefully, stating
car initial and number, date of ship-
ment, number of bales, total weight of
car, or of each particular kind or
grade, and price data when available.

Follow Instructions Closely.

If the billing instructions furnished
by the consignee are not clear, it is
generally a better plan to hold the
shipment until satisfactory instruc-
tions are received than to take the
chance of billing it incorrectly. When
specific instructions as to routing or
delivery are given they should be fol-
lowed in detail, as it is frequently the
case that shipments arriving over
roads other than those specified must
be switched at considerable cost before
delivery can be made at the desired
location.

In many markets hay ship-
ments arriving in certain railroad
yards will not sell as advantageously
as when they arrive in other yards be-
cause of unfavorable switching facili-
ties or because of the distance of the
yards from buyers' warehouses. Con-
siderable merchants and dealers in the
markets are familiar with these fac-
tors and, when possible, request billing
that will not subject their hay ship-
ments to these handicaps.

Buyers may also desire to reconsider
their hay upon arrival or change the
billing while the car is in transit; but
if the hay is shipped via another line
from which they cannot reconsider the
shipment, they may suffer a considerable
loss which can be charged back to the
shipper, if he has not followed
shipping instructions.

Forward Bill of Lading Promptly.

When the bill of lading has been
signed by the railroad agent it should
be forwarded promptly to the con-
signee, unless it is desired to attach a
draft to it, in which case it should be
placed in the bank for transmittal to
the consignee at the earliest possible



Selling Hay at Terminal Market.

moment. When cars are shipped only
a short distance, and especially if
billed to shipper's orders, the bank
should be directed to forward the draft
and bill of lading direct to consignee's
bank, if known; otherwise to a bank in
his town. If this precaution is not
taken the bank may follow its usual
custom of sending the documents
through the regular channel of cor-
responding banks, which may delay de-
livery to the consignee until after the
car of hay has arrived and been
placed on demurrage.

In addition to careful and accurate
routing of the shipment, the exact
weight of the hay and the number of
bales loaded into the car should be
stated on the bill of lading, and it is
also a good practice to state the kind
and grade of hay comprising the ship-
ment.

Making the Invoice.

When a car of hay is consigned to a
dealer in a distant market a letter to
him stating that a car of hay is being
shipped is not sufficient information
upon which he can arrange to the best
advantage for its arrival and sale.
Whether a car is consigned or has
been sold on track or to arrive, a care-
fully prepared invoice should be sent
to the consignee at the time the car is
shipped. Such an invoice should show
the car initial and number and date of
shipment. Also the kind and quality
of hay, together with the number of
bales and the total weight. If two or
more distinct kinds or grades have
been loaded, the number of bales and
the total weight of each kind or grade
should also be shown.

True Greatness.
A man's true greatness lies in the
consciousness of an honest purpose of
life, founded on a just estimate of
himself and everything else, and a
steady obedience to the rule which he

An Imaginary Illness

By HAZEL SMITH

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Mrs. Susan Roberts was a chronic
invalid. She knew it herself. She
had influenced the more impressive
of her friends with the conviction.
As to her devoted but unfortunate
husband, whatever his opinion he
fully realized that she was making
home life about as wretched and un-
inviting as it could well be.

What had started well and healthy
Mrs. Roberts on the downward road
to despair and dissolution, was the
visit to the town of a quack. This
irresponsible individual scattered a
pamphlet describing his nostrums and
dwelling gravely upon the dangers of
"wasting away." Just at that time
Mrs. Roberts had lost ten pounds. It
was warm weather that had reduced
her flesh, and when she began to wor-
ry over her fancied ailments she lost
ten more.

"Young Dr. Allen was called in. At
the outset he told his patient that
there was nothing in the world the
matter with her.

"If Lucy Day was only married off,"
she went on to say lugubriously, "I
would rest more easily in my grave
than a scene of duty done."

"Dear Lucy! the saving grace of the
situation. She was pretty as a pic-
ture, and loved company and pleasure
as well as any lively healthy Miss of
Eighteen. She felt great gratitude,
however, towards the aunt, who had
taken care of her since she had been
left an orphan. She had learned to
take most of the household work on
her own young willing shoulders when
her aunt was well. When her fan-
cied ailments came upon her there
were added the duties of a patient,
unending nurse.

Lucy therefore had little time to
think of beaux or parties. As to love,
her practical life furnished romance.
It was true she had flushed and her
heart beat a trifle faster when, in as-
sisting Dr. Allen to prepare a luncheon
for her aunt, their hands met and he
gave her a kindly smile. Later he
had invited her to a local entertain-
ment.

"I dare not leave my aunt, Dr. Al-
len," she said placidly. "Only make
her well, and it would be a great
pleasure to accompany you."

"One day Dr. Allen met John Rob-
erts on the street. He had not called
on his patient for several days, and
he naturally asked her husband how
his wife was getting along.

"Poorly, doctor, very poorly," re-
plied John gloomily. "Now she insists
she is losing the use of her limbs."

"Indeed, how is that?" questioned
the doctor.

"Fall over a chair and lamed her
foot."

A speculative look came into the
doctor's face. He smiled slightly and
his eyes brightened.

"Somehow we have got to get your
wife's mind away from her limbs,"
said the doctor. "The bruised foot will
do it."

Dr. Allen arrived at the Roberts
home that night to find the invalid
occupying her customary couch down-
stairs. The doctor finally got to the
point of inspecting the injured foot.

The grave war his face drew down
at once attracted his patient's atten-
tion. She became interested as he
pronounced the mystic words "pod-
a-stra-ction of the oblongata," then
alarmed as he said seriously:

"This is a vital case, Mrs. Roberts.
Your foot must receive the most care-
ful treatment."

In the middle of two days Mrs. Roberts
had wandering ideas and pains. The doc-
tor nursed her fears. He hinted at a
possible operation.

"Doctor Allen, isn't it a little cruel
to keep on this fancy?" remonstrated
the gentle-hearted Lucy one day.

"What! When I am satisfied that
it will lead to your accepting that in-
struction of mine?" smiled the doctor.
"Why, my dear little friend, your aunt
is eating anything and everything to
counteract the toxic influence of that
oblongata, isn't she? That's all she
needs—good solid nourishment."

One day the doctor placed a metal-
lic strip in the bandage around his
patient's foot. When he took it on
the next morning he dropped it into
some liquid. It hissed and sizzled, as
he intended. Some more scientific
bores pious. Then he washed off the
coloring and said the toxin was all
out of his patient's system.

"You are a well woman—get
wedged," he advised.

When Mrs. Roberts tipped the
scales at 125 pounds, showing her loss
regained and five pounds to the good,
she screamed in joyful hysterics. Then
she laughed, danced, and—no more
wasting away!

Dr. Allen made a call—not profes-
sional this time—on his patient next
day.

"Mrs. Roberts," he said, "you used
to worry a good deal because Lucy
wasn't married off, do you remember?"

"Why—yes," she admitted, wonder-
ing what was coming next.

"Well, I want to take her off your
hands," smiled the doctor. "We are
engaged, and that 'change' I ordered
for you can include a pleasant shop-
ping trip to the city, selecting her
wedding trousseau."

A Defense of Nero.

Hewitt—Nero fiddled while Rome
was burning.

Jewett—You put the burden in the
wrong place; Rome burned while Ne-
ro was fiddling.

Should Cultivate That, Too.
So many singers want to run before
they can walk, says a critic. With
some singers whom we have heard the
ability to dodge as well as run would

RIVERDALE

The pupils of the 10th grade of the
Riverdale high school are planning on
a five number lecture course, the first
number to take place on Friday even-
ing, Dec. 2, at Nunn & Lacey Hall.
Secure your tickets early. Adults
season ticket \$1.50; Junior season
ticket 75c.

Mrs. Roy Beers and little son, Ken-
neth, have returned from their two
weeks visit with relatives near Cryst-
tal.

Chandler Bradley left last week to
spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs.
Ernest Elliott of Salt Creek, Wyo.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bellows of
Eaton Rapids spent the first of last
week with Mrs. Bellows' parents, Mr.
and Mrs. Reuben King.

Jack Moblo was in Grand Rapids
Thursday and Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Browbridge
spent the past week with relatives at
Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Langworthy and
son, Virgil, of Alma were over Sun-
day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul By-
water.

Samuel Rhodes has gone to Arkan-
sas, to remain until next spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wiley and
children of near Alma were guests of
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Going Sunday.
Jarvis Turner of Detroit spent sev-
eral days last week in town calling
on old friends.

R. E. Lovejoy and wife of Grand
Rapids were guests of Dr. and Mrs.
Highfield Tuesday.

W. N. Gilbert of Bay City was in
town on business.

Miss Lillian Harrison spent the
week end with her brother, Allison
Harrison and wife of Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Nelson and
children visited relatives near Elwell
Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith and little
son of near New Haven were guests
of Mrs. Callie Foster Sunday.

J. W. Johnson was injured quite
badly one day last week by a kick of
one of his horses.

Mrs. Carrie Tallon and daughter,
Iva, of St. Louis were guests of Mr.
and Mrs. Wm. Bradley last Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Strong were
Elwell visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Jessie Lapaugh is nursing
near Alma.

Mrs. Ervin Ditto and little daugh-
ter, Jane Margaret, were week end
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Will-
iams.

Miss Zelma Austin visited friends
near New Haven last week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. M. Highfield spent
Sunday in Alma guests of Dr. and
Mrs. T. J. Carney.

Harry Palmer of Stanton was in
town Monday on business.

Miss Margaret Brownridge spent
the week end with her grandparents,
Mr. and Mrs. Bush of Isabelle county.

Mrs. Brackson Robart spent over
Sunday at St. Louis.

Mrs. Hubert Moblo returned to De-
troit last Friday after spending a
week with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moblo.

Mrs. Oswald Gould spent last
Thursday with her parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Bert Hagerman, of Alma.

Mrs. Fred Nunn and niece, Winni-
fred Croton, spent Sunday with Mr.
and Mrs. Glen Croton southeast of
town.

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